



February 2007

Salutations by: Julie L., President

January had us thinking White. Fortunately no white elephants showed up at our luncheon; however, the long awaited snow fall did! The kids were ecstatic to have a day off from school and I've heard many adults were thankful for the enforced time off as well.

This month the Scholarship committee will begin review of all applications they receive. Each year we have a terrific group of applicants and it makes the selection process a wonderful experience. We wish the committee and the applicants all the best as the deadline approaches. If you have any questions or concerns, please see Jeanne's contact information on page 4.

The SCSC Bazaar committee has received the challenge of making our event bigger than last year. Those who are new to Stuttgart will witness an amazing transformation of the facilities on Patch in mid-March. Hundreds of volunteers contributed time, talent, and expertise to this great event last year. A larger Bazaar means we will need even more volunteers to help us this year. Ann, our Bazaar chair, and Laurie, our volunteer coordinator, look forward to hearing from you. Their contact information can be found on the third page.

Thanks to Shand for heading the nominating committee this year. She will answer any questions you have about the positions on our board. We have many new faces in our community and serving as a member of the SCSC Board allows you a great opportunity to develop friendships and show off your special talents.

The SCSC extends a warm welcome to Mrs. Helga Hopffner, our guest speaker for the February luncheon. She will present a light hearted look at some of the cultural differences between Germans and Americans. Andrea's shoppers will bring additional fun to this event as they present their 'treasures' from Germany.

Andrea and Joni have also been working hard to finalize the details for our March event. Wow, March! Yes, the March function will follow close behind our February luncheon. It promises to be an evening you won't want to miss! Please refer to the flyers at the end of the newsletter for details and reservation deadlines of both functions. Gabi, our new Reservations Chair will be happy to assist you.

Red is a traditional color of February. Red is for a healthy and happy heart. We hope this Valentine's will bring you and those close to your heart many special memories.

SCSC 2007 Calendar of Events						
Date	Event	Date	Event			
February 6	Board Meeting	April 3	Board Meeting			
February 20	Those Funny German Ways	April 24 (Date Change)	Crystal Bingo			
March 5	Board Meeting	May 8 (Date Change)	Board Meeting			
March 6	Pre-Bazaar Bash	May 15	Scholarship Luncheon			
March 16, 17 & 18	Spring Bazaar	June 5	Board Meeting			

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Attachments

- Those Funny German Ways flyer.
 February 20 at the Swabian at 1030.
 Please feel free to print and distribute.
- Bazaar Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet.
- Pre-Bazaar Bash flyer. March 6 at the Swabian at 1800. Please feel free to print and distribute.
- Bazaar Volunteer flyer. Please feel free to print and distribute.

Welfare Committee Update by: Karen T., Chairperson

We have three more Welfare meetings before SCSC's traditional summer break. The last Welfare meeting will be in April. Any donation request received after April 15th will be held for consideration in September or denied, if the event takes place before September. If your organization is planning to request a donation, please do so by April 15th!

Additional donations totaling \$9,234.00 were approved through January, bringing total donations this fiscal year to \$42,808.52.

- 1. Time Travelers Club, Böblingen Elementary/Middle School, \$1,500.00 for supplies to support the club's activities.
- 2. Patch High School Model United Nations Program, \$4,234.00 to cover the registration fee for 16 students traveling to The Hague International Model United Nations Conference.
- 3. Stuttgart Health Clinic, \$3,500 for furniture, DVD players and health-care related literature/items for the three reception areas in the health clinic.

The next Welfare Committee meeting is Thursday, February 22, 2007.

To obtain the SCSC Welfare application, go to www.stuttgart.army.mil. Click on "Community Services" and scroll down to the Stuttgart Community Spouses Club. Click here to go to the SCSC page. A link for the 2006-2007 Welfare application is on the SCSC page. Requests received by the 15th of the month are considered later that month. Those received after the 15th are considered the following month.

Other News

Ways & Means SALE \$\$\$

For the February Event, Ways & Means will offer 20% off on all Polish Pottery.

Crystal Bingo, April 24

Mark your calendars, Crystal Bingo is scheduled for April 24th. Make reservations to join us at 1800 that evening. We have a night of delicious food, mingling with friends, and lots of prizes planned for you. There are featured items from Waterford, Swarovski, Tiffany & Co., and Villeroy and Boch waiting to be won. We are searching for the perfect chandelier, to cap off the evening. This is a special evening, for members only, so unfortunately guests will not be admitted. If you know someone who has been putting off joining the club, this is great incentive. A flyer with location, and other specifics will be sent out very soon. See you there!

Nove & Venice Shopping Trip

The Nove & Venice Shopping Trip **SOLD OUT** in record time. If you are interested in getting on the waiting list for this amazing trip please contact Becky at stampersan@yahoo.com or call 07031-687905.

Imagine yourself strolling in a grand old Italian piazza, shopping for antiques, ceramics, and other amazing goodies. Drinking the perfect cappuccino in a sweet little bar on a canal in Venice. Gazing at the most spectacular architec-

ture in Europe. Not enough to tempt you? Then you definitely don't want to miss being served a fabulous meal (and unbelievable wine) by the very handsome and charming Paolo, owner of La Nogarazza, where the SCSC's Italian trip will make their home for 3 nights and 4 days! Nogarazza is located at the foot of the Colli Berici in Arcugnano, Italy on the outskirts of Vicenza. Just 40 minutes from Venice and and Piazzola sul Brenta, where one of the best antique markets in Italy is held the last Sunday of each month, this is a trip not to be missed! Ahhh, la bella vita....come join us or let us know you are interested so we may plan for a second trip to this exciting location.

SCSC Board Needs You!

While we're enjoying the hard work and fruits of the labor of our current SCSC board believe it or not it's already time to think about next year! SCSC has many positions to fill and we need you! Our executive board consists of the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Information Management Officer, Operations Treasurer, and Welfare Treasurer. These are our elected board members. Appointed positions on the board include Hospitality chair, Membership chair, Programs/luncheons, Reservations, Parliamentarian, Bazaar chair, Scholarship chair, Thrift Shop, Ways and Means, Welfare, Newsletter and Publicity, Special Events, AWAG, Tours, and Historian

WHEW! There is something for everyone and a chance for you, or someone you know, to get involved and keep SCSC rolling along.

The slate will be presented to the general membership in the spring.

If you would like to volunteer for a position, nominate someone, or just want more info on any position, you can contact me at

shandmayville@hotmail.com or 0771-680-4234. I look forward to hearing from you!

Unit Challenge Auction

SCSC needs your participation in the Unit Challenge Auction at the Pre Bazaar Bash on March 6. For more information on the Unit Challenge contact Joni at jbjen110@aol.com or call 07031-762-944.

Happy Birthdayl

Shand M. 2/1
Frances H. 2/2
Jeanne M. 2/5
Toni F. 2/7
Debbie S. 2/8
Linda J. 2/13
Michele S. 2/14
Julie T. & Julie H. 2/19
Ann S. 2/21
Toni S. & Laura B. 2/22
Sigrid M. 2/25

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Thrift Shop News by Sonja J., 2nd Vice President

SCSC would like to thank all the volunteers and staff that put countless hours into making the Patch Thrift Shop and Panzer Consignment and Thrift Shop such a convenient, unique place for community members to shop. The funds you help raise allow our organization to contribute that much more to other community organizations. We appreciate all you do.

Volunteers are always needed and appreciated at both shops. Feel free to stop in during hours of operation listed above.



The Patch Thrift Shop hours are:

Mon., Wed. & Thurs. 10:00-14:00

First Sat. of every month 10:00-13:00



Panzer Consignment & Thrift Shop hours of operation are:

Mon. and Fri. 9:00-14:00 Tue. and Thurs. 11:00-18:00 And the 3rd Saturday of the month 9:00-14:00

Membership Update by Michelle W., Chairperson

After welcoming 5 new members at the White Elephant Gift Exchange, we now have 169 members. Wouldn't it be great if we could grow our membership to at least 200? I invite each of you to reach out to others in our community and extend an invitation to someone to join the SCSC. New members

joining after January 1st pay \$20.00 in dues. Remember in order to participate in Crystal Bingo on April 24th, you must join the SCSC before April 3rd. Membership applications are available at

http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/sites/serv ices/spousesclub.asp Send it to the Membership Chair via MPS. Applications will also be available at the February 20th luncheon. If you did not receive an SCSC pocket calendar upon joining, please let me know via e-mail at

scscmembership@yahoo.com
I will gladly mail one to you.

AWAG... Key to Success

SCSC volunteers are cordially invited to attend the 51st Annual AWAG Conference. The conference will be held at the Edelweiss Lodge and Resort in beautiful Garmisch, Germany, 29 April-3 May 2007.

If you would like more information now please go to our website:

www.awag.us or contact Alicia, Registration Chair at hessen1@awag.us.

We look forward to seeing your key volunteers this year in April. Check out the American Women's Activities, Germany Web site for full details on their annual conference taking place at the Edelweiss Lodge & Resort. Please visit: www.awag.us for more information.

2007 SCSC Spring Bazaar Needs Your Help



VIP Bazaar Shopping Pass

Would you like a "sneak peek" at all the wonderful items for sale at the SCSC Spring Bazaar?? Just volunteer to work a shift at the Bazaar and you are entitled to a VIP early shopping pass. Please fill out the volunteer form attached to the newsletter and email it to

scscbazaarvolunteer@yahoo.com

or you can call Laurie at 0711.120.2025 to volunteer! Thank you for your support of this great event!

Fundraising Opportunities

Fundraising and Service Opportunities for the USAG and affiliated organizations.

The SCSC is pleased to offer food vending and service opportunities to organizations and units of the community in conjunction with the annual Spring Bazaar scheduled for March 16th through the 18th. The Bazaar has over 3,000 in attendance and makes for a wonderful chance at fundraising and community service.

Groups interested in food vending will be responsible for the entirety of their set-up and service requirements in an assigned space. Space and food venues are limited.

We are also seeking groups interested in arranging services such as Bazaar purchase hauling and activities for children such as face painting, hair braiding and crafts.

Interested groups will receive coordination assistance and publicity. Those interested in food vending and other service and activity interests should register by February 24. Please contact

<u>letticia.sever@us.army.mil</u> or call 0711 120 7720.

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Scholarship Applications Now Available by: Jeanne G., Scholarship Chair

SCSC Scholarship applications for the 2007-2008 college year are available at ACS, the Education Center at Panzer, the Patch Library, the Panzer and Patch Thrift Shops, and the Patch High School counselor's office.

A minimum GPA of 3.0 out of 4.0 is required for eligibility. Turn-in deadline is 1 March 2007. Questions will be answered by calling 0711-656-9993. All applications must be turned in to Jeanne in person or by mailing to: SCSC Scholarship Program; CMR 480, Box 1319; APO AE 09128-1319

Three categories of applicants included in this year's awards are as follows:

1. Eligibility for Graduating High School Seniors

Each applicant who is a graduating Senior in High School must meet the following requirements:

- 1. A command-sponsored child dependent whose sponsor is both living in and working in the Stuttgart Military Community and who is eligible to attend Patch High School.
- 2. The applicant's sponsor must be a U.S. military or U.S. civilian employee working in the Stuttgart Military Community who is eligible for MWR benefits (as listed on ID card).
- 3. Applicant and sponsor must both

possess valid military identification cards.

- 4. Applicant must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better (GPA based on a 4.0 scale).
- 5. Applicant must submit SAT or ACT scores. Scholarship Committee makes final determination regarding eligibility.

2. Eligibility for Continuing Students

Each applicant for the continuing student category must meet the following requirements:

- 1. A command-sponsored child dependent no older than age 23 attending college full-time whose sponsor is both living in and working in the Stuttgart Military Community.
- 2. The applicant's sponsor must be a U.S. military or U.S. civilian employee working in the Stuttgart Military Community who is eligible for MWR benefits (as listed on ID card).
- 3. Applicant and sponsor must both possess valid military identification cards.
- 4. Applicant must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better (GPA based on a 4.0 scale).
- 5. Applicant must submit SAT or ACT scores. Scholarship Committee makes

final determination regarding eligibility.

6. For the 2007 SCSC Scholarship Awards Continuing Student category only, no family member of the Scholarship Committee nor the voting 2006-2007 SCSC board may apply.

3. Eligibility for Spouses

Each spouse applicant must meet the following requirements:

- 1. A command-sponsored spouse, who is both living in and receiving his or her education within the Stuttgart Military Community. (The scholarship may be applied elsewhere, if the sponsor has a permanent change of station after the selection process.)
- 2. The applicant's sponsor must be a U.S. military or U.S. civilian employee working in the Stuttgart Military Community.
- 3. Applicant and sponsor must both possess valid military identification cards and be eligible for MWR benefits (as listed on ID card).
- 4. Applicant has a high school or GED diploma.
- 5. Applicant must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better (GPA based on a 4.0 scale), having completed at least 1 semester at an accredited college, university, or technical school.

Lunch/Programs Update by Andrea G., Chairperson

Hello Ladies, What fun we had at the Jan event! I was so shocked by some of the beautiful gifts that were exchanged! Truly NOT White Elephants. The most amazing White Elephant was hands down the Multi Colored Elephant! What a lucky woman who won that!! I am sure we will see it again next year at other exchanges! He will be making the rounds!!

I am looking forward to our Feb event. Helga Hopffner will be speaking about "Those Funny German Ways." We will also be playing a fun shopping mission game. At the Jan event, three women were given Euro to go find some "Funny German Things." I can't wait to see what "Funny German Things" our lucky shoppers will bring to show off!

March will be our first event that spouses will be invited to! We will have a fun Unit Basket Auction. Be on the lookout for the perfect additions to your Units' Basket.

Fun was had by all at the December Holiday Tea Time!





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CMR 480 Box 1319 APO AE 09128-1319

Make the connection...
...where do you fit in?

For newsletter suggestions and/or recommendations, please email: cgiff1234@aol.com

SCSC's mission is to provide information and support to Americans living in the Stuttgart area through social venues and to give financial contributions back to our military community.

Our membership is open to spouses and members of the U.S. Armed Forces, civilians of the U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Forces contract employees, employees of other organizations granted status under the NATO Status of Forces Agreement and other civilians holding a valid U.S. passport and residing in the Stuttgart community.

We're on the Web:

http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/sites/services/spousesclub.asp

Where in the World?

Congratulations to last month's winners for guessing the Zukspitz. Those who guessed correctly include: Karen T., Kari B., Debbie S., Amanda S., and Toni S.

In order not to make this one too easy, you must name the city, country and the name of both places in the photos.

There is a clue in the bottom photo. Do you see it?



Please submit your guess to:

cgiff1234@aol.com.

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Those funny German ways...

Get to know more about our German neighbors by attending this luncheon on February 20th. Guest speaker, Helga Hoepffner, will present German & American cultural differences in a fun and entertaining venue.



Cost \$15 (includes lunch)

February 20, 2007

10:30





R.S.V.P. by February 6 at scsc4reservations@yahoo.com



Name				
CMR Address_				
Telephone #				
I would	like to volunteer for th	e following times (please circle the dat	e and time):
<u>Day</u>				
Set-up Days				
Mon 3/12	0930-1230	1330-1630		
Thurs 3/15	0700-1015	1000-1315	13001615	1600-1800
<u>Bazaar</u>				
Fri 3/16	0830-1000	0945-1145	1115-1415	1400-1700
				1645-1915
Sat 3/17	0930-1245	1230-1545	1530-1915	
Sun 3/18	1030-1345	1330-1630	1630-Finish	
<u>Tear Down</u>				
Mon 3/19	0930-1230			

Area I would like to work (please circle):

Finance Raffle Hospitality

Security Floater

Volunteer Coordinator contact information

Laurie Menzel (0711) 120.2025 or scscbazaarvolunteer@yahoo.com Volunteer Check In located at the YS Desk Date: 3/6/07

Time: 1800

Swabian Special

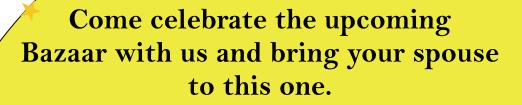
Events Center

Patch

Pre-Bazaar

Bashill





There will be a Unit Challenge gift basket auction.

Your \$10 admission includes food and one adult beverage.

This will be an exciting evening so don't miss out
R.S.V.P. by Feb 26 to:
scsc4reservations@yahoo.com







Stuttgart Community Spouses' Club

BAZAAR VOLUNTEERS GET REWARDS!



- Free Raffle!
- V.I.P Shopping!
- Great Friends and Fun!

You'll be entered in a FREE raffle for great bazaar vendor prizes.

You'll SHOP EARLY, Friday Morning before everyone else!

You'll meet lots of INTERESTING PEOPLE and make GREAT FRIENDS.

The Stuttgart SCSC is lookingfor energetic volunteers from MARCH 16-18, to help us make this year's bazaar a roaring success.



